

ELLEN WRIGHT.

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FEBRUARY 1, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. SULLOWAY, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 3928.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 3928) for the relief of Ellen Wright, having considered the same respectfully report:

Ellen Wright, formerly Ellen Gibbs, alleges that she served as a nurse in Judiciary Square Hospital, Washington, D. C.; Presbyterian Hospital, Georgetown, D. C.; Patent Office Hospital, Washington, D. C.; and Mansion House Hospital, Alexandria, Va, and that while so serving she contracted diseases from which she has suffered and by reason of which she has been disabled ever since. The records of the Treasury Department show her to have been paid for service in all except the first hospital, the payments covering the time from November 19, 1862, to March 2, 1863. No record has been found of her service in Judiciary Square Hospital, where she alleges that she served from September to November, 1862. The evidence shows that she had to leave the service on account of disability incurred therein, and that she has been disabled thereby ever since. She is now old and poor, beside being disabled by disease. Her husband, who was a carriage driver, was disabled by an accident some time ago, and she is now dependent on charity.

In view of these facts, your committee recommend the passage of the bill, with an amendment striking out the word "twenty," in line 5, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twelve."

Amend title so as to read: "A bill granting a pension to Ellen Wright."